(*e*) No electric lamp posts have been planted ; but about 420 posts have been erected for the extension of supply mains and no street lights are fitted on these. The distance will be about 14 miles. The total expenditure booked for this line is Rs. 32,345. They have been planted for extension of supply mains. The necessity of these extensions is to give connection to consumers.

Mr. M. N Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know, Sir, whether any extension of electric lighting in the town of Trivandrum is proposed to be undertaken during the year 1110?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon : Two miles' extension has been proposed for the year 1110.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know whether it is in addition to the lamp posts which are already posted ?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon : These two main extensions are in addition to the supply lines already erected.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know whether these cover the 420 lamp posts which the member referred to in his answer?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon : I have replied in part (*e*) of my answer that they are not lamp posts but they are supply posts.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know who has met the cost of these lamp posts ?

President : You mean supply posts ?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon : It is met out of the capital expenditure debited to the Trivandrum Electric Supply.

Replacement of the electric wires in public offices in Trivandrum from lead casing to wood casing.

2. ***Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai:** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) how many of the public offices in the town have been fitted up with electric wires in lead casing ; the date of such fitting up and the cost therefor ; and

(*b*) whether the Electrical Engineer has now recommended to Government to replace these lead casing with wood casing ; if so, on what grounds ; and what will be the total cost for such replacement ?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon : (*a*) A list* is laid on the table

(*b*) No.

* *Vide* Appendix II—page 42.

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Fitting of engines to the Electric Power House in Trivandrum.

3. ***Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) when the Electric Power House at Trivandrum was opened ; how many engines there were then ; whether they were fitted up departmentally or by other agency on contract ; if on contract, by whom and what was the remuneration paid for that work; and

(*b*) how many engines have been got down for the Power House since then ; who fitted them up ; and at what remuneration ?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon : (*a*) On 8th March 1929. There were 3 engines then. They were fitted up by the suppliers, Messrs. Mirrlees Bickerton and Day Ltd., Bombay, on contract. The cost of erection was Bh. Rs. 6,130.

(*b*) Three ; and these were fitted up by the suppliers in each case. The details of erection are as follows: —

Set No.	*Suppliers and Erectors.*	*Cost Bh. Rs.*
4	Messrs. Mirrlees Bickerton and Day Limited., Bombay.	2,685
5	Messrs. Swiss Locomotive and Machine Works, Bombay.	1,750
6	Messrs. Mirrlees Bickerton and Day Limited., Bombay.	2,750

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know whether the Electrical Chief Engineer does not know to fit these engines ?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon : No, Sir.

Fitting up of street lights in Trivandrum.

4. ***Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai:** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) by whom were the electric lines in the streets of Trivandrum fitted up ; whether such work was given on contract t any agency at any time ; if so, for how many miles was the contract given and at what cost ; and who supervised the work executed by the contractors ; and

(*b*) how many cases of leakage of electric current and accidents consequent thereon have till now (15-11-1109) been reported ?

Mr. K. P. Padmanabha Menon : (*a*) Out of 46 miles of supply lines in Trivandrum, the first 24 miles were erected by Contractors (Messrs. Chari and Chari Limited., Madras) and the remaining 22 miles by the department. The cost of erection paid to the

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